to-day and watched our proceedings so keenly. We are happy that Col. Plowden, our popular British Resident, has returned to us from long leave. We are sure that he is going to solve many of the difficulties which are still facing us, because we know that he is a great friend of Mysore. We also welcome His Highness the Mir of Khairpur into our midst.

We beg of you, sir, to kindly convey to His Highness our beloved Maharaja our most respectful regards and expressions of our gratitude for all the good that he has been doing all these years. (Loud and prolonged cheers.)

Mr. C. K. VENKATARAMAIYA, Kannada Translator to Government, then read the Kannada translation of the Dewan's Address.

Swearing in of New Members.

Rao Sahib A. Thangavelu Mudaliar and Messrs. Yajaman Muniswami Chetty, K. L. Nanjappa Nadig and T. C. Basappa made the prescribed Oath of Allegiance to His Highness the Maharaja and took their seats.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Gomal Lands.

Q.—1. **Messrs. T. MADIAH GOWDA** and **V. VENKATAPPA** (Channapatna Taluk); **Patel VEERE GOWDA** (Dodballapur Taluk); **G. VENKATARAMANA GOWDA** and **S. KARIAPPA** (Kankanhalli Taluk); **R. RANGIAH** (Channapatna Municipality); **Patel GANGIAH** and **S. T. MALLASETTAPPA** (Nelamangala Taluk); **B. M. MUNISAMAPPA** (Bangalore Taluk); **R. DASAPPA** (Devanhalli Taluk); **H. GANGAPPA** and **M. S. PUTTARAMA SETTY** (Magadi Taluk); **Nilgiri G. SANJEEVIAH** and **S. SHARABHANNA** (Anekal Taluk); **M. SIDDE GOWDA** and **K. T. BHASHYAM AIYANGAR** (Special Interests); **A. M. VENKATASAMIAH** (Closepet Municipality) and **VEERASANJEEVA GOWDA** (Closepet Taluk).—

Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(*a*) the number of villages in the Bangalore District for which *gomal* land is available and the number of villages where there are no *gomal* lands (talukwar);

(*b*) what is the number of villages in which *gomal* lands were disposed of wholly or in part during the last 5 years and the number of villages in which the extent of *gomal* land was increased during the said period; (information may be furnished talukwar and salwar);

(*c*) has it come to the notice of Government that the rearing of cattle has become difficult owing to the scarcity of *gomal* lands in many villages?

A.—**The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Mr. A. V. Ramanathan).**

(*a*)—

Name of Taluk	Number of villages where gomal land is		Remarks
	Available	Not available	
1. Bangalore	229	87	
2. Anekal	100	68	
3. Dodballapur	211	29	
4. Nelamangala	203	36	
5. Devanhalli	169	20	There are becharak villages.
6. Hoskote	231	27	Out of these 9 are becharak.
7. Closepet	105	8	
8. Channapatna	97	32	
9. Magadi	242	12	Do do
10. Kankanhalli	261	Nil	
Total ...	1,848	319	

(*b*)—

Name of Taluk	Number of villages in which gomal was disposed of wholly or in part during the year						Extent of gomal increased	Total
	1930-31	1931-32	1932-33	1933-34	1934-35	Total		
1. Bangalore	4	5	7	3	14	33	Nil	* Salwar details are not given in the case of Anekal, Dodballapur, Magadi and Kankanhalli Taluks.
2. Anekal		Detai	ls not	given.		41	,,	
3. Dodballapur			Do			46	,,	
4. Nelamangala	18	27	31	9	13	98	,,	
5. Devanhalli	11	22	24	20	15	92	,,	
6. Hoskote	20	22	15	22	46	125	,,	
7. Closepet	7	7	9	7	8	38	,,	
8. Channapatna	10	15	15	4	6	50	,,	
9. Magadi		Detai	ls not	given.		94	,,	
10. Kankanhalli			Do			98	,,	
Total ...	70	98	101	65	102	715*	...	

(*c*) No.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—In the answer it is stated that in 1,848 villages there are *gomal* lands. In how many cases are the lands sufficient for all the cattle in those villages?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—That is a matter for elaborate enquiry.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—Are the Government aware that the *gomal* lands in the villages are not sufficient to meet the requirements of the cattle therein?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—No.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—It is also stated that in 319 villages there are no *gomal* lands. Am I to take it that there are no cattle in those villages?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Notice.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—If there are cattle there, what are the grazing facilities for them?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Those who have cattle will have to grow fodder on their own lands, if it is a fact that no *gomal* lands whatever exist.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—Are the requirements of the villages considered before disposing of *gomal* lands?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Yes.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—Has it come to the notice of Government that in spite of repeated representations of the raiyats in the villages, *gomal* lands have been disposed of?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—All representations made have been duly considered.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—If the number of cattle in a village is large and if the raiyats represent that more *gomal* land is required, will Government release more land for the purpose?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—It all depends upon the needs of each individual case.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—Will the Revenue Commissioner make enquiries into the matter?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—If it comes to the notice of the Government that there are difficulties in any villages, they will give the necessary instructions.

Mr. K. T. BHASHYAM AIYANGAR.—Has it not come to the notice of Government that the raiyats of Konankunte Village made several representations that for want of *gomal* lands, cattle in the village were dying?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—No. But Government will make enquiries into the matter.

Mr. M. S. PUTTARAMA SETTY.—Is the figure furnished in answer to (*a*) up-to-date?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—Yes.

Mr. M. S. PUTTARAMA SETTY.—From the figure furnished in respect of Magadi Taluk, it looks as though there are only 3 villages in that taluk without *gomal* lands. Is that information correct?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—That is our information.

Mr. M. S. PUTTARAMA SETTY.—Have not the people of other villages represented that they are in need of *gomal* lands ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—I do not remember.

Mr. M. S. PUTTARAMA SETTY.—With regard to the 242 villages in the Magadi Taluk which are reported to have *gomal* lands, are Government aware that in more than 50 per cent of them, *gomal* lands are not sufficient ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—It is a matter of opinion.

Mr. M. S. PUTTARAMA SETTY.—At least in future, will Government provide sufficient *gomal* lands in all cases ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—I cannot say that.

Mr. V. VENKATAPPA.—Would it not be possible for the Government to say whether the *gomal* land available in any village is sufficient or not with reference to the number of cattle in the village ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—It is not possible to ascertain that information every now and then.

Mr. V. VENKATAPPA.—Have not the raiyats of Thorehosur Village repeatedly represented that the *gomal* land in that village is altogether inadequate ?

Mr. A. V. RAMANATHAN.—I shall enquire about it.

Mr. Belur SRINIVASA IYENGAR.—Is it not a fact that in as many as 87 villages in the Bangalore Taluk, there are no *gomal* lands at all ?

The FIRST MEMBER (Rajamantrapravina S. P. Rajagopalachari).—That has been so from a very long time.

Mr. Belur SRINIVASA IYENGAR.—Are not the Government aware that His Excellency the Viceroy's policy is to improve the condition of the raiyat by developing agriculture and that our own Dewan has referred in the Address which he has just now read to us, to the need for agricultural development ? In that view, therefore, will the Government give more lands for *gomal* purposes in the villages as a first step in the direction of practically implementing that policy ?

Mr. S. P. RAJAGOPALACHARI.—We shall note the suggestion.

Forest Improvements.

Q.—2. **Messrs. K. RUDRAPPA** and **R. DASAPPA** (Devanhalli Taluk); **V. VENKATAPPA** and **T. MADIAH GOWDA** (Channapatna Taluk); **Patel VEERE GOWDA** (Dodballapur Taluk); **G. VENKATARAMANA GOWDA** and **S. KARIAPPA** (Kankanhalli Taluk); **R. RANGIAH** (Channapatna Municipality); **Patel GANGIAH** and **S. T. MALLASETTAPPA** (Nelamangala Taluk); **B. M. MUNISAMAPPA** (Bangalore Taluk); **H. GANGAPPA** and **M. S. PUTTARAMA SETTY** (Magadi Taluk); **Nilgiri G. SANJEEVIAH** and **S. SHARABHANNA** (Anekal Taluk); **M. SIDDE GOWDA** and **K. T. BHASHYAM AIYANGAR** (Special Interests); **A. M. VENKATARAMIAH** (Closepet Municipality) and **VEERASANJEEVA GOWDA** (Closepet Taluk). —

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the talukwar details of expenditure incurred in the Bangalore District during the last three years for forest improvements ;

(*b*) what income is expected to be derived therefrom ;

(*c*) whether the Government are aware that the works in many places have been got done by the raiyats ?

A.—**The SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT, DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT (Mr. M. Venkatanaranappa).**—

(*a*) Information is furnished according to Ranges. (*Vide* statement. Appendix.)

(*b*) The additional revenue derived from the expenditure cannot be allocated.

(*c*) Yes, on payment.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—In answer to sub-section (*c*), it has been stated that the works in many places have been got done by the raiyats on payment. Has the Chief Conservator verified the accuracy of this answer, and have vouchers been taken for the payment of money ?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—Yes.

Mr. T. MADIAH GOWDA.—Is the Chief Conservator sure that the money has reached the raiyats ?

Mr. M. VENKATANARANAPPA.—Evidently.

Mr. H. K. MADIAH.—Has it come to notice that the raiyats are in almost all cases forced to do work free ?